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For: PRIMERS FOR USE IN DETECTING BETA-LACTAMASES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please insert the following Statement of Related Applications section at page 1 (immediately after the "Title" heading) as instructed in the Request for Filing a Divisional Application filed herewith:

--Statement of Related Applications

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/407,818, filed September 28, 1999, entitled "Primers for Use in Detecting Beta-Lactamases," which claims the benefit of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/102,181 filed, September 28, 1998, entitled "Primers for Use in Detecting Beta-Lactamases," and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/121,765, filed February 26, 1999, also entitled "Primers for Use in Detecting Beta-Lactamases." All three applications are incorporated herein by reference.--

*This amendment on the specification is OK and should be entered!*

*Take up 11/10/2005*

*Now is US patent NO. 6242, 233 B1*

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